

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 7/13/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-36,39-49 and 53-69.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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Allowance

1. Claims 1-36, 39-49 and 52-69 is allowed as per the decision from the board of patent appeals and interference (BAPI). See board's decision of July 13, 2006
2. The invention relates to a method for automatically generating and sending a short message service (SMS) message to a subscriber in a mobile communications network in response to a change in location of the subscriber, the method comprising:
 - (a) receiving, plurality of mobile at a telecommunications network element, a call signaling messages;
 - (b) screening, at the telecommunications network element, mobile call signaling messages exchanged between a home location register (HLR) and a visitor location register (VLR) that relate to changes in location of mobile subscribers;
 - (c) correlating the screened mobile call signaling messages based on at least one parameter in the mobile call signaling messages to identify mobile call signaling messages in a dialogue between the HLR and the VLR that relates to a change in location of a particular mobile subscriber;
 - (d) generating a change in location indication message based on parameters extracted from the correlated mobile call signaling messages;
 - (e) sending the change in location indications message to a short message service center (SMSC);
 - (f) in response to receiving the change in location indication message by SMSC, generating the SMS message intended for the particular mobile subscriber; and

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g) sending the SMS message to the mobile subscriber, wherein performing steps (a)-(g) includes performing steps (a)-(g) automatically in response to the change in location of the particular mobile subscriber.

The combination of the reference Sladek, Baker, Jung and Brown individually or in combination fail to teach the above claimed features of the present invention. Therefore claims 1-36, 39-49 and 52-69 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sujatha Sharma whose telephone number is 571-272-7886. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 7.30am - 4.00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew D. Anderson can be reached on 571-272-4177. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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